IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

APPELLATE CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.8738 OF 2003

Ashokrao Kisanrao Thorat)..Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and others)..Respondents

None present for the Petitioner.

Mr.S.R.Nargolkar, A.G.P., for the State.

CORAM: V.G. PALSHIKAR AND SMT.NISHITA MHATRE, JJ.

DATED: 2ND FEBRUARY 2005

P.C.:

. This is the Writ Petition of the year 2003. In order to seek immediate disposal of the pending cases, hearing of the Writ Petitions pending before this Court was spread over two benches and this bench was entrusted the duty to dispose of the Writ Petitions from the year 2000. Such an arrangement was made for urgent disposal of Writ Petitions which are pending for years. However, it is noticed that most of the Petitions are not being worked out either on account of failure of the Counsel for the Petitioner to appear or for addition of pleadings.

2. In any event in this case today when this matter

was called out, none appeared for the Petitioner nor was mentioned on behalf of the Petitioner by anyone. We had, therefore, no option but to dismiss it for want of prosecution.

3. In the event the Petitioner makes an application for restoration of the Petition, apart from stating the reasons for absence at the time when the matter was called out, the Petitioner should also state the manner in which or the reasons for which according to him, the Petition even now survives.

4. The Petition is, accordingly, dismissed for want of prosecution.